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Docket No. 4439-4039

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| Applicant(s): | Kiyotaka Shiba et al. | Confirmation | 3547 |
| Serial No.: | 10/566,535 | Group Art | 1654 |
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| For: | PEPTIDES CAPABLE OF BINDING TO TITANIUM, SILVER AND SILICON | | |

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated May 16, 2008, the applicant(s) respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.7(a) when the last day to take action falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, the action may be taken on the next succeeding business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, *i.e.*, August 18, 2008 without additional fees.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 13 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including replacement drawing figures is attached following page 22 of this paper.